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Sir:

In accordance with Rule 111 of the Rules of Practice please consider the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, prior to line 3, please insert the following new section:

-- CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

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This application is a divisional of Serial No. 08/847,065, filed May 1, 1997, the subject matter of which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety. - -

Please replace the Sequence Listing in the original Specification with the enclosed Substitute Sequence Listing.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 1-12, 19-27, and 29-32 without prejudice.